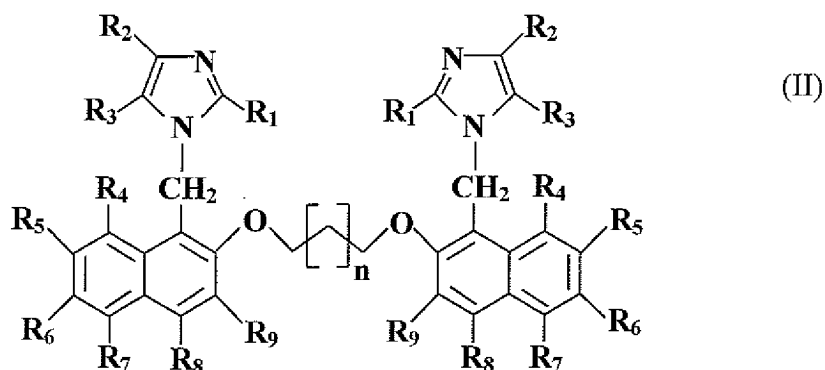
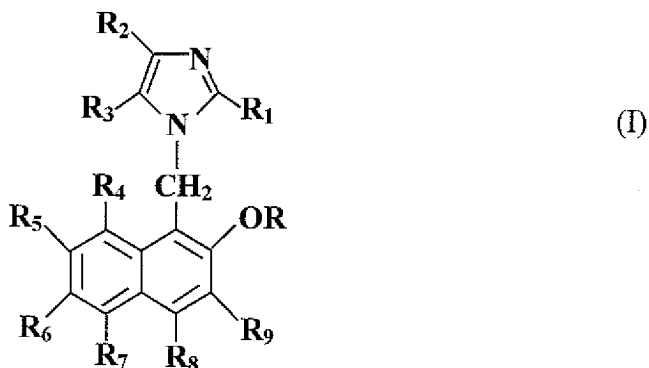


**Listing of Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1-12 (cancelled).

Claim 13 (previously presented). A compound of general formula (I) or (II):



where

R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, and R<sub>3</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups, -CN, Hal,

OH, or C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; or aromatic or aliphatic C<sub>3-12</sub> acyl;

R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>7</sub>, R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-17</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkoxy or OH;

for formula (I) R is C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkenyl; or C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl;

and for formula (II) n = 2-12.

Claim 14 (previously presented). A compound according to Claim 13, where R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; phenyl; or C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups.

Claim 15 (previously presented). A compound according to Claim 14, where R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> each H; and R<sub>1</sub> is C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; phenyl; or C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups.

Claim 16 (previously presented). A compound according to Claim 13, where for formula (I) R is C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl or C<sub>3-12</sub> alkenyl; and for formula (II) n = 6 - 12.

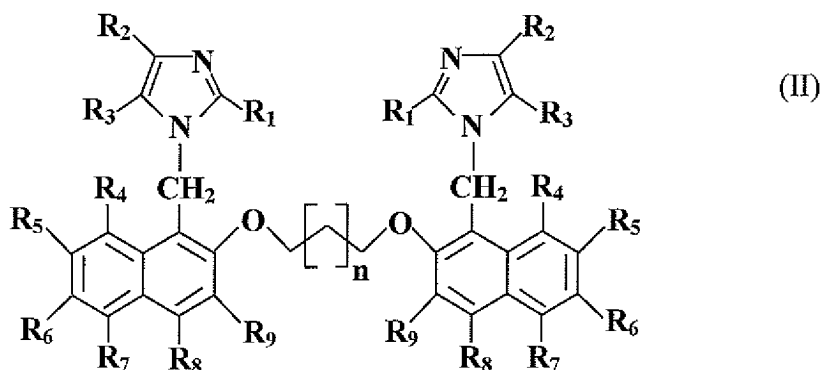
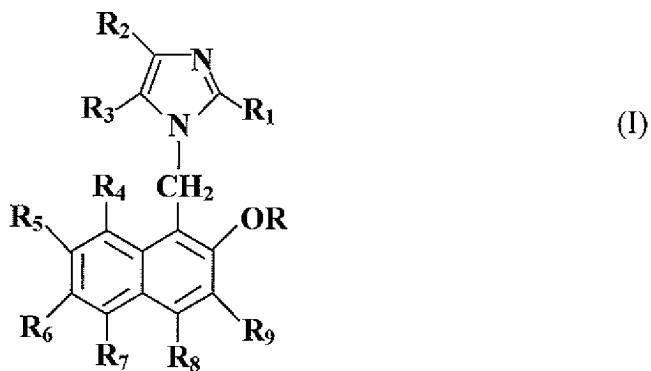
Claim 17 (previously presented). A compound according to Claim 13, where  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  are H.

Claim 18 (previously presented). A compound according to Claim 13, where  $R_1$  is methyl;  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,

$R_6$ ,  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  are H;  $R$  is n-butyl, n-nonyl, n-dodecyl, or allyl; and  $n = 8$ .

Claim 19 (previously presented). A curable composition comprising:

- a) an epoxy resin whose epoxide content is from 0.1 to 11 epoxide equivalents/kg;
- b) from 1 to 10 parts by weight, based on the total weight of the curable composition, of a compound of formula (I) or (II):



where

R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, and R<sub>3</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups, -CN, Hal, OH, or C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; or aromatic or aliphatic C<sub>3-12</sub> acyl;

R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>7</sub>, R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-17</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkoxy or OH;

for formula (I) R is C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkenyl or C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; and for formula (II) n = 2-12;

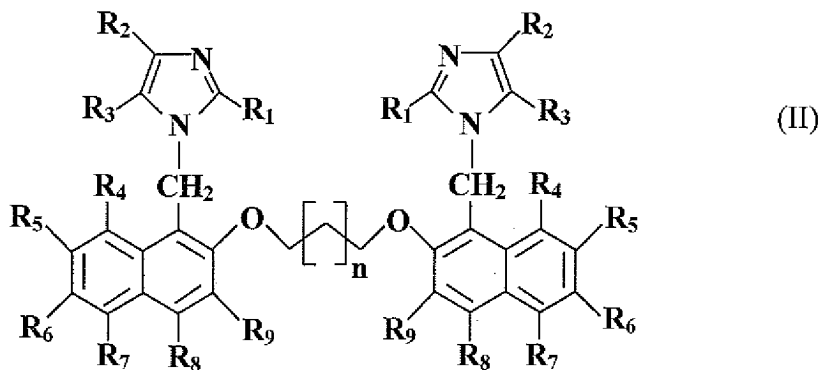
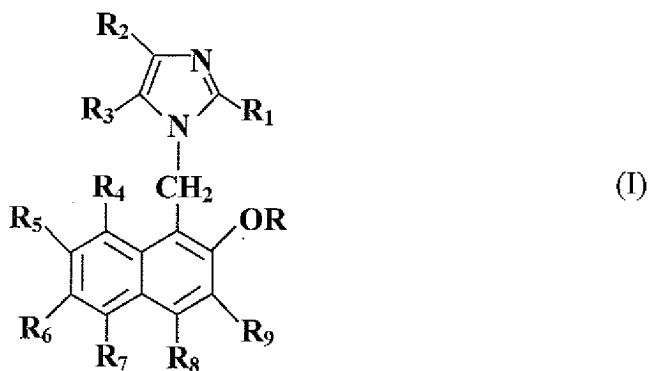
- c) a curing agent for the epoxy resin having from 0.5 to 1.5 functional groups per epoxide group; and optionally
- d) one or more additives.

Claim 20 (previously presented). A curable composition according to Claim 19, wherein the curing agent is an amine or polyamine.

Claim 21 (previously presented). A curable composition according to Claim 20, wherein the curing agent is a polyoxypropylenediamine.

Claim 22 (previously presented). A curable composition according to Claim 19, wherein the epoxy resin is a glycidyl ether, glycidyl ester, N-glycidyl or N,O-glycidyl derivative of an aromatic or heterocyclic compound, or a cycloaliphatic glycidyl compound.

Claim 23 (previously presented). A method for making a curable composition comprising adding to an epoxy resin a curing agent and a compound of formula (I) or (II):



where

R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, and R<sub>3</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups, -CN, HaI, OH, or C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; or aromatic or aliphatic C<sub>3-12</sub> acyl;

R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>7</sub>, R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-17</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkoxy or OH;

for formula (I) R is C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkenyl or C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; and for formula (II) n = 2-12.

Claim 24 (previously presented). The method of claim 23 wherein the compound of formula (I) or (II) is dissolved beforehand in the curing agent at a temperature between 60° - 80° C.

Claim 25 (previously presented). A prepreg comprising a curable composition according to Claim 19.